

NEW ENGLAND ROBBED OF \$17 000 000 IN COAL PRICES

Statement by Eugene C. Hullman, State Fuel Administrator
For Massachusetts, at Hearing on the Calder Bill—At
torney Riley Told of Collection Last Fall at the Mouth
of the Mines of \$13 and \$15 a Ton For Coal Valued at
\$6—Restoration of Competition in the Coal Industry
Nationalization is Advocated

England was robbed of \$17,500,000 in the coal prices charged last year," said added:

"Coal is a natural resource of the country, created by God, not by man, and belong to the people of the country who ought not to be obliged to guess its fair market price."

Chairman Thompson's indorsement of the Calder bill was practically complete and he gave the committee likewise his opinion that congress has constitutional

Walsb, democrat, Mr. Riley named

HOEVER'S PLAN TO REPLACE MANIPULATION IN GRAIN

Washington, Jan. 26.—Manipulation of grain could be eliminated through a voluntary agreement of exchange to limit quantity of the commodities which are handled in speculative trades. Here, J. Edgar Hoover, former federal food administrator, said today in appearing before house agricultural committee which is holding hearings on the restriction of speculation on future exchange.

For the improvement of marketing conditions, Mr. Hoover suggested creation under the department of agriculture of a national marketing board of experts with regulatory powers within limits over exchanges.

Such a board, he added, could materially aid in solving present problems by establishing standard practices by laying down regulations which would secure for farmers the privilege of selling their grain at country elevators. Farmers would be given warehouse receipts on which they could secure assistance in developing co-operative marketing could be given by a board.

as he proposed. Mr. Hoover said, gestating that the bureau of markets is to perform administrative functions. The powers would have to be flexible, need it, and it should work in co-operation with the grain exchanges.

"I do not believe the determinants of the precise quantities of method to be fixed by law," Mr. Hoover declared. "as all such attempts to control economic forces must be tentative and end upon experience gained."

SENATOR SHERMAN ATTACKED

Washington, Jan. 20.—The trade commission was attacked in senate today by Senator Sherman, R-Ill., on the ground that it "seriously impaired" American trade in meats by circulation abroad its reports charging the "Big Five" packers with monopoly.

In a lengthy address opposing pending bill for federal recognition

The commission's report also stated that the trade commissioners' reports were "intended" to injure American packers' export trade, an actually done so.

"The commission's reports were broadcast through the state department with a form letter to make it appear the president was behind its circulation," said, "In every case it was where the most mischief could be done."

The reports were sent abroad to express purpose of turning force against American meat producers. The Illinois senator promised to continue his address tomorrow would present documentary proof charges.

**IMPORTANT TEST CASE OF S
ENFORCEMENT OF PROHIB**

Richmond, Va., Jan. 28.—The U. S. supreme court overruled today the decisions of counsel for Edward A. Newport News, that the Volstead prohibition enforcement act superseded prohibitions laws and that therefore state courts were without authority to enforce the state laws.

Counsel for Allen announced that case would be appealed to the U. S. supreme court. The police

Allen was convicted in the court at Newport News, for violating the state law. His counsel appealed, contending that since there was no federal prohibition enforcement in the state, the federal courts alone had jurisdiction and that the case should have been referred to the federal district court.

FINANCE SURVEY COMMITTEE
OF CONN. CHAMBER OF COM.

Hartford, Jan. 26.—Announcement made today by President Stanley Bullard of the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce on the appointment of a committee on state finance survey purpose of cooperating with Gov. J. Lake in his intensive financial trenchment program announced

Members of the committee, who held its first meeting in this city early date, are: Edmund S. Waltham, Bridgeport; Howell Chase, Manchester; John T. Manson, New; A. G. Melville, Jr., H. Harry A. Smith, Hartford; J. O. Hartford; Morgan G. Bulkeley, Hartford; W. S. Chamberlain, New.

other member of the board of directors
first district federal reserve bank
ton, and Percy Rothwell, Hartford.